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"We will cling to the pillars of the temple of our liberties,
and if it must fall we will perish amidst the ruins."

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All communications addressed to the Editor, (POST-PAID) will be promptly and strictly attended to.

NOTICE.
H. J. TOOLE.
I have now on hand in addition to the usual stock of a Drug Store,
Dye Stuffs, & Hatters materials, Paints, Oils, and Varnishes, Glass Ware, consisting of Decanters, Tumblers, Lamps and Lamp Glasses, Wines, pint and half pint Flasks, together with a full supply of Shop Furniture, Perfumery, Fancy Brushes, Belows, and several of the late and much improved Beer Pumps, with Pipes &c. complete.

To The Public.
The Subscriber having purchased the Drug and Medicine Store of Dr. James Toole, as above has added largely to the Stock in all its branches, and will be receiving almost daily through the season, fresh supplies. I can recommend every article which he offers for sale, to be of the quality represented, and is fully convinced that he can furnish those who may favor him with their orders, on better terms than any establishment in the city.
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He still continues his old stand in Augusta, No. 161, Broad street, two doors below the Phoenix Hotel, where, or at his establishment in Hamburg, he will be happy to receive orders for any thing in his line.
JAMES LEVERICH.
The Pendleton Messenger, Edgefield Advertiser, and Greenville Mountaineer will insert the above advertisement 6 times, and forward their accounts to James Leverich, Augusta, Ga.
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A CARD.
THE Subscribers beg leave to return their sincere thanks to their friends and the public generally, for the very extensive patronage extended to them, and from a close attention to business, hope to merit a continuance of the same. They are now receiving, and will continue daily to receive, a new and splendid assortment of Fashionable Dry Goods, Groceries, &c., among which are the following, viz:
Satinets, Kentucky Jeans,
Ladies' Cloaks,
Red and White Flannels, Blankets,
6-1 and 4-1 Brown Sheetings,
3-4 Brown Sheetings,
6-4 and 4-4 Bleached Sheetings,
3-4 Bleached Shirts,
6-4 and 4-4 Plain and Damask Merinos,
3-4 Cierassians,
6-4 Herringbone Shawls,
6-4 Damask Crape do,
Span Silk and Fanny Shawls,
4-4 and 3-4 French Calicoes,
4-4 American do from 12½ to 25 cts. good,
4-4 Furniture Checks,
4-4 and 3-4 striped and plaid Domestic,
3-4 Furniture Dimity,
Irish Linen, Diapers,
Black Silks, 4-4 Gro de Swiss,
Black Italian Linings,
Figured and coloured Gro de Nap,
Pongee and Bandanna Silk Handkerchiefs,
White and Black Silk Gloves,
White Silk Hose, plain and checked,
White Cotton do. do. do.
Fanny and coloured do.
Ladies and Misses Fashionable Bonnets,
Hats, Shoes, and ready made Clothing.
ALSO,
WAGON HARNESS, AND SADDLES,
ALSO,
VAUCUSE YARNS AND OSNABURGS,
AT FACTORY PRICE.
And numerous other articles, too tedious to mention, all of which they offer whole sale or retail on terms to suit purchasers. All orders for any of the above articles, will be promptly attended to by
C. & L. M. CHURCHILL.
Hamburg, S. C. October, 1837 d 37

NOTICE.
10 BOXES Halsey's superior Tobacco, just received and for sale by
C. & L. M. CHURCHILL.
Hamburg, S. C. Oct 16, 1837 f 37
P. S. Merchants wishing to purchase would do well to call, as it is superior to any article ever offered in this market.

For Sale.
A NEAT four wheel CARRIAGE, which has been used only 3 months—Enquire at this office.
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In the Court of Ordinary.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

William Walker and wife Eliza, applicants, vs.

Mary Kirkland & others, defendants.
I appearing to my satisfaction, that Mary Kirkland, Joseph Kirkland, the heirs of Sarah Johnson, Philomena Kirkland, the heirs of Jesse Kirkland, the heirs of Elizabeth Huggins, Isaac Kirkland and Sophia Kirkland, defendants in the above case, reside without the limits of this State. It is therefore ordered, that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the Real Estate of Isaac Kirkland, deceased, on Monday the eleventh day of December next, or their consent to the same will be entered of record. Given under my hand at my office, this 17th Oct. 1837.
O. TOWLES, o. e. d.
Oct. 17, 1837 h 37

In the Court of Ordinary.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

Abraham Turner & wife Judith, Applicants, vs. Mary Bodie, et al. Defendants.

I appearing to my satisfaction, that Simon Day and wife Sophia, Thomas Coburn and wife Elender, and James Smith and wife Mary, defendants in the above stated case, reside within the limits of this State. It is therefore ordered, that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the real Estate of Joshua Bodie, deceased, on or before the fourth day of December next (1837) or their consent to the same will be entered of record—this 3rd October 1837.
O. TOWLES, o. e. d.
Oct. 5, h 37

In the Court of Ordinary.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

Richard Garrett and wife Martha, applicants, vs.

Nancy Pickett & others, defendants.
I appearing to my satisfaction, that David M. George and Mitty his wife, and John Haws and Elizabeth his wife, defendants in the above stated case, reside within the limits of this State. It is therefore ordered, that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the real Estate of James Pickett, deceased, on Monday the eleventh day of December next, or their consent to the same will be entered of record—Given under my hand at my office, this 17th Oct. 1837.
O. TOWLES, o. e. d.
Oct. 17, 1837 h 37

In the Court of Ordinary.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

Mat. Mims and Benj. Frazier, Applicants, vs. Martha Mims et al. Defs.

I appearing to my satisfaction, that Martha Mims, Henry Mims, Joseph Terry and wife Martha, A. K. Ayre and wife Elizabeth, defendants in the above case, reside within the limits of this State. It is therefore ordered, that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the Real Estate of Jas. O'Gillvie, deceased, in a certain tract of land on Saluda River, on or before the fourth day of December next, or their consent to the same will be entered of record. Given under my hand at my Office, the 9th day of October, 1837.
O. TOWLES, o. e. d.
Oct 9 h 36

In the Court of Ordinary.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

James O'Gillvie, Applicant, vs. Chesley Cochran et al. Defendants.

I appearing to my satisfaction, that Robert Cochran, one of the defendants in this case, resides within the limits of this State. It is therefore ordered, that he appear and object to the division or sale of the Real Estate of Jas. O'Gillvie, deceased, on or before the 1st day of January next, or his consent to the same will be entered of record. Given under my hand at my Office, this 7th day of November, 1837.
O. TOWLES, o. e. d.
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SOUTH CAROLINA.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

John Logan, vs. James M. Landrum. ATTACHMENT.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff hath this day filed his declaration against the Defendant who resides beyond the limits of this State, and having neither wife or attorney within the State, upon whom a copy of said declaration, with a rule to plead thereto, may be served. It is ordered, that the said Defendant do plead to the said declaration within a year and a day, from this date, otherwise final and absolute judgment will be awarded against him.
GEORGE POPE, c. c. p.
Clerk's Office, Oct. 20, 1837 d 40

SOUTH CAROLINA.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

Arthur West, vs. A. H. Patrick. ASSUMPSIT.

THE Plaintiff having this day filed his declaration in my Office, and the Defendant having neither wife or attorney known to be in the State, upon whom a copy of the declaration may be served. Ordered, that the said defendant do appear and make his defence within a year and a day from this date, or final and absolute judgment will be awarded against him.
GEORGE POPE, c. c. p.
Clerk's Office, April 21, 1837 d 12

SOUTH CAROLINA.

EDGEFIELD DISTRICT.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

Wm. M. Butler, vs. William Cook. ASSUMPSIT.

THE Plaintiff in this case having on the 7th day of April, 1837, filed his declaration in the Clerk's Office, and the Defendant having no wife or attorney, known to be in this State, upon whom a copy of the said declaration may be served. Therefore ordered, that the said defendant do appear and make his defence within a year and a day from the filing of the said declaration, or final and absolute judgment will be forthwith awarded to the said Plaintiff.
GEORGE POPE, c. c. p.
Clerk's Office, April 18, 1837 11 11

PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

BY PIERCE M. BUTLER, Governor

and Commander in chief in and over the State aforesaid.

Whereas information has been received by this department that an atrocious murder was committed in the District of York, on the 14th inst. on the body of Wm. Nance by a negro man slave, named Jack, the property of George McAllister, and that the said negro Jack has fled from justice.

Now Know Ye, to the intent that the said Jack may be brought to trial for the said crime; I do hereby offer a reward of two hundred dollars for the apprehension of said Jack and lodging him in any jail of this State. Jack is about 45 years old, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, weighs about one hundred and fifty or sixty pounds, complexion yellow black, loves a dram, talks much, and brags greatly of his knowledge of Farcy and Wagoning, of which it is said that he has been a driver in almost every State south and west of New York. He was sometime ago purchased by his present owner from a Mr. Waugh of North Carolina. Given under my hand and seal of the State at Columbia, this 24th day of October 1837.
P. M. BUTLER.

By the Governor,
B. H. Saxon, Secretary of State

To be copied 3t by the Journal, Messenger, Advertiser, Courier, Mercury, Camden Courier, and Times.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

Adams Parnell & Co. vs. John A. Young.

S. Kneeland & Co. vs. the Same.

Stoddard Birch & Co. vs. the Same.

James C. Rozeman, vs. the Same.

THE Plaintiffs in the above stated cases have this day filed their declarations in my office at Abbeville Court House: Ordered, that the defendants do plead thereto within a year and a day, from this date, or judgment by default will be rendered against him.

JAS. WARDLAW, c. c. p.
Clerk's Office, May 9, 1837. 12m

SOUTH CAROLINA.

ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

J. R. Wilson, & Co. vs. James Davis.

THE Plaintiffs in this case having filed their declaration in my office, at Abbeville Court House, on the 24th day of March 1837: Ordered, that the defendant do plead thereto within a year and a day, from this date, or judgment by default will be rendered against him.

JAS. WARDLAW, c. c. p.
Clerk's Office, May 9, 1837 12m

Storall, Simmons & Co.

WOULD inform the public that in addition to the FIRE-PROOF WARE HOUSE, which they have for years occupied, they have taken the FIRE-PROOF WARE HOUSE, recently in the occupancy of Messrs. J. W. & J. T. Heard, but a short distance above, on Broad street, and respectfully invite an increase of patronage, as they are now prepared to store with safety and convenience a large amount of cotton. They pledge their accustomed devotion to the interest of their friends in all business confided to them.
Augusta Oct. 6th 1837. c 36

\$10 Reward.

STRAYED or stolen from the Subscriber, on Sunday the 15th inst. a brown, mouse-colored Mare MULE, with a rope round her neck when she went away. Any person taking up said Mule and delivering her to the Subscriber living near Davis' Bridge, Orangeburg District, S. C. shall receive the above reward. Any information respecting her will be thankfully received.
JOHN W. BROWN.
Oct 17, 1837 h 37

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Samuel Childwell Esq. late of Abbeville District dec'd. are requested to make payment immediately, and those having demands to present them duly attested within the time prescribed by law, to either of the subscribers.

JOHN COTHMAN, Adm'r.

A. G. CALDWELL, Adm'r.

August 8, 1837 11 28

NOTICE.

IS hereby given, that the Copartnership heretofore existing under the name of ATFAWAY & JOHNSTON is dissolved. Business will hereafter be conducted under the name of ATFAWAY & WHITE, as Johnson has sold his entire interest in said Firm to White.

ATFAWAY & JOHNSTON.

October 15, 1837 f 37

For Sale.

THREE Road Waggon, perfectly new having never been used. Apply to Mr. Welch at my Plantation, two miles above White Hall, Abbeville, or to the subscriber at this place.
JOHN LIPSCOMB.
Edgefield C. H., Oct. 5 1837. d 35

Poetic Recess.

From the Columbia Telescope.

Mr. Editor—I had hoped, ere this, something better than the following would have been sent you, by way of tribute to the memory of those who perished in the unfortunate steamer "Home." In lieu of what might have been done, if you please, accept this feeble attempt. Professor and Mrs. Nott, young Bostwick, and Miss Robert are the individuals alluded to—the only ones known to the writer, or all the number lost.

THE SHIPWRECK.

She is gliding away, like a meteor ray—
Like a sea-bird she's skimming the ocean;
By night and day, she's away and away,
In her light and her beautiful motion.

Her mist you'll desery like a cloud from the sky,
Let loose as to blend with the billow;
Upon their hearts so sweetly thrilling!
It was the very best's sweet name—
"Sweet Home!" the very breeze was filling.

It seem'd a blast, prophetic doom,
That might have caused them wild commotion;
There "Home" will be—that deep profound—
Their lost, lost home—that stormy ocean.

Oh, they, the buoyant and the brave,
Mark how they rend the air with shrieking!
Inseparably united, they were,
The eve no more their bliss is ending.

Gone—gone—the lovely all—thus lost,
The young, the gay, the happy-hearted,
That ne'er before a cloud had cross'd,
Nor shadow on their pathway darts.

Full, full of life, and hope, and home,
Oh, many a heart was fondly beating
With thoughts of meeting friends—to some,
Oh, there will be no earthly meeting!

A parent's eye no more shall dwell
With fondness on an only daughter!
Oh, who the orphan'd one may tell
The story of that fearful water!

(His pen—"The Shipwreck" once portray'd,
"The Shipwreck"—oh, too true a story!
Poor Henry! thus thy grave was made,
Cold in the deep, pericance, and glory.)

In vain may turn the parent's eye
To meet their first-born son—their cherished;
Their joy, their pride, low, low doth lie,
Beneath the briny wave he perish'd!

And long the widow'd mother's heart
With sickening hope deferr'd may languish;
Her child's return—oh, this her part,
Till hope was turn'd to bitterest anguish!

For she, the lovely and the young,
Pericance her tender frame was driven
All roughly o'er the surge alone,
Or tempest-toss'd, or rudely riven.

That form, that e'en the wind of heaven
Had never visited unkindly,
Why thus to death so rudely given?
To reason, were to reason blindly.

Oh God! yes, thou art: God art still,
God of the whirlwind and the storm—
Who dare gainsay thy sovereign will?
Dare I—of the dead to speak!

No! when my puny voice I raise,
'Tis not to cail or repine.
'Tis not to understand thy ways,
But they are right, for they are THINE.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 31, 1837 M. M.

Miscellaneous.

ANCIENT BED OF THE GULF OF MEXICO.

The editor is indebted to Dr. W. B. Powell, for an interesting paper, on the ancient bed of the gulf of Mexico. It would afford our readers much pleasure, we think, to speculate on the original and curious contents of this paper. An abstract only can be furnished, and that from memory: the original having been sent to the public press at Louisville previous to that of the Southern being heard from.

This paper was a reply to some of the interrogatories addressed to Dr. Powell by the editor of this Gazette, respecting the ancient level of the country, and the future course of the Mississippi. Some facts were communicated (probably, however, known to the Doctor before), such as the common discovery of stumps of trees in the Atakapa-

pas district, west of New Orleans, 40 feet below the present level of the country.—

This, Captain De Hart asserts, of that section of Louisiana is a familiar fact. Again, the beds of the bayous, passing out of the Mississippi, are thick set with the stumps of trees, 20 feet below the level of the adjacent country. The constant accretion of the lake shore was likewise mentioned.—

The extension of the island of N. Orleans on its eastern side, has reached some hundreds of yards, in advance of the old stations of the Lake vessels.

On this imperfect presentation of the subject, the Doctor enters very much at large into the geological formation of our lower country—the Netherlands of the Mississippi valley. His view is taken subsequent to that period when according to distinguished geologists, the loftiest mountain peaks of our country, in common with those of the planet generally were submerged by the ocean.

That this was the ancient condition of our globe, is satisfactorily established, by the presence on the loftiest mountains, all over the world, of marine shell, whose texture is too delicate to have admitted any violent agency in effecting their dispositions.

Long subsequent to this remote epoch, in the revolutions of our globe, the gulf of Mexico must according to the hypothesis of Dr. Powell, have ascended high up the present bed of the Mississippi. In all probability, it washed the sand bluffs at Natchez, the sand stone rock at the town of Grand Gulf, and the bluffs at Vicksburg, if it did not reach still higher. The reason for these apparently rash conclusions are presented in these facts. Cypress stumps are often found twenty and fifty feet below the present level of the country in Arkansas; just as they are found forty feet below the level of the Atakapas district. Forty and fifty feet of earth have therefore been deposited upon the ancient surface of the country.

In confirmation of this fact, the appearance of the present banks, show successive growth and deposit of timber with other alluvial matters, marked by successive layers. Sometimes the deposit remains of timber are perpendicular, at other times they are horizontal. Are not these the very steps and stages of the geological processes, that are going on at the present day, whenever the lower country is in a state of accretion? It then seems undeniable that the bed of the river must have been lower than at present, (supposing the floods to have been nearly the same as now) in order to enable it to make those deposits on former growths. Is not the same process, periodically carried on, throughout the lowlands on the Mississippi, and its tributaries? Hence the increasing capacities for cultivation of extensive sections of the valley country, which were formerly unsuceptible of it. This is the testimony of our old inhabitants within the last forty years. At the same time the bed of the river has raised itself with the newly formed country, by partaking of the general deposits.

Hence the Mississippi is so frequently said by superficial observers, to run upon a ridge, because its margin receiving the last deposits of the retiring waters charged with alluvial matters, are always higher than the remoter parts of the bank. The concavity of the bed of the stream is, however, unaffected by this circumstance, and obviously has nothing to do with the formation of the marginal banks 50 and 60 feet above the stage of low water.

A new way present themselves, the Doctor thinks, in which the retirement of the waters of the Gulf of Mexico may have depended to make room for its more confined waters, or the waters may have diminished. The great diversion of the ancient ocean beds tend to confirm the latter supposition.

There is another mode of accounting for the alluvial formation of the Mississippi valley, by supposing the waters of the present Gulf of Mexico to have been dammed up by a mountain chain from the Peninsula of Yucatan, through the Island of Cuba, to the Florida shore. The opinion is maintained very elaborately and with considerable ability by Dr. James W. Monette, in an essay published in the Christian Herald of 16th April, 1836. The same opinion is expressed by Charles Thompson as a vision of fancy, in the appendix to Jefferson's notes on Virginia, Boston edition, page 232. Not that the latter view has any pretension to the minute confirmation from Topography, which is so laboriously adduced by Dr. Monette. With Thompson, the opinion was conjectural hypothesis without any minute knowledge of the Mississippi valley; with Monette, it is a deduction from a particular

examination of the country. "Previous," says the latter gentleman, "to this retiring of the waters of the Gulf of Mexico, from this region, its level must have been at least fifty feet above the Gulf; and the continued surface upon this great arm of it, must have been about forty or forty-five feet above the present low water mark of the Mississippi, and about fifteen or twenty feet above the surface of the lowest common water swamp along the valley." The instruments by which the barrier of the Gulf of Mexico might have been destroyed, present themselves in earthquakes and other volcanic convulsions, common to that region of America. Again the sandy barrier between Florida and Cuba may have given way to the pressure of the waters, and produced a lowering of them. Volcanic earthquakes may have opened, likewise, the outlet between the Cape of St. Antonio (Cuba) and Yucatan, leaving only the Florida reefs to indicate where land once had been, and the current from the Gulf as the remains of the outpouring of the waters while the Gulf was assuming the level of the Atlantic."

These opposite opinions are well worth particular investigation. There is some probability that the western country formerly contained two great lakes, one formed at the Falls of Ohio and the other at the Grand Tower in the Mississippi, above the mouth of the Ohio. The former was the belief of Volney. But we have accomplished our objects if the attention of the curious, and particularly the geological student, shall be at all attracted to the subject so interesting to the physical history of the Mississippi valley.

CONSEQUENCES OF HEAVY BETTING.

But to "depict more freely," I will detail a few cases of destruction from gaming, from my own personal knowledge. Going some way back, the first that occurs to my mind, at this moment, is one of a gentleman who shot himself in London, a few days after Waterloo, the race horse upon the Derby stakes. I appended that I was myself at Newmarket, in the second Spring meeting of that year, and rode thence to London with this unfortunate gentleman with whom I was slightly acquainted and who appeared greatly dejected at having lost seven hundred pounds, on the balance of his book by the week: a fact which surprised me, knowing him to be a very heavy bettor, and consequently imagining that sum to have been, under such circumstances, but a trifling one to him. I was not, however, aware that he had at that time on his book a bet of ten thousand to one thousand, against Smolensko winning three events, and he had already won two of them.—

He won the third, which was the Derby; and Mr. B— shot himself in his lodgings in London, on the day preceeding the settling day. But, reader mark the sequel to this lamentable story, which nothing short of an ardent wish that the effect of which it is my intention to write on the dreadful effects of gambling should be impressed deeply on the minds of my readers, could have induced me to have alluded to it at all. The evening before he committed the fatal act, I was seated at dinner at Robinson's hotel, in Vere-street, with one of this gentleman's largest creditors, when he himself walked into the room, and, throwing his eyes wildly around the company, which, as usual, was very numerous at that hour of the day, fixed them at length on the person of whom he was in pursuit. "Well B—," said my friend, "how do you feel yourself?" "Among the damned," was his reply. "Nonsense," resumed the former; "sit down and take a glass of wine with us; if you can let me have four hundred pounds on Monday morning, before we go to Tattersall's I will give you time." But what was time to a man who had made up his mind to rush into eternity on the morrow? He would drink no wine, neither could we persuade him to accompany us to the theatre. In a few hours more he was a corpse; and his indulgent creditor from the same cause, although at that time in possession of every thing necessary to make life agreeable, died mad and without a shilling, in a few years afterwards. —Niles' ed. in Fraser's Magazine.

Death by Tight Lacing.—A Nottingham.

(Eng.) paper gives a melancholy instance of death by tight lacing. A fine young woman of that place, died suddenly after a long walk. The next day a post mortem examination took place, when it was found that she had caused a pressure on the lungs and viscera, from lacing her stays tightly to procure a thin waist, which circumstance had caused a predisposition to acute inflammation.